**Discrimination against girls in free education**

766. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for girls having one or more sisters are discriminated under free education for single girl child scheme whose core objective is welfare of girls and whether Government want to penalize girls having more than one sister for the act of their parents in which they have no say whether these girls do not require more support from Government;

(b) the steps planned to desist attempts by the private schools affiliated with CBSE to discourage enrolment of girls; and

(c) whether 50 per cent seats would be reserved for girl child in order to impart free education for single girl child?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) The Delhi High Court has, *vide* an interim Order of 20.1.2006 stayed, till the next date of hearing, the implementation of Circular dated 18.10.2005 issued by the Central Board of Secondary Education, directing its affiliated schools to provide fee waiver to girl students who are the only child of their parents. The matter is *sub judice*.

**Reservation for girls in schools**

767. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Advisory Board of Education committee on girl education had recommended 50 per cent reservation at the entry level for girls in regular schools;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the incentives provided to encourage girls education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) A committee of Central Advisory Board of Education on Girls Education and Common School System in its report submitted in June, 2005 has recommended that "girls students should have regular and real schooling and not to be accommodated somehow in a part time programme or alternative systems in a multi-track approach. Girls deserve to have upto